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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed **February 5, 2008**. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

An Appendix including the following documents is attached following page 16 of this paper:

An Interview Summary.

U.S. Patent Office document entitled, "Examination Guidelines For Claims Reciting A "Means or Step Plus Function" Limitation in Accordance With 35 U.S.C. § 112, 6th Paragraph."